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PACKAGES FOR SERVICE MEN DRIVE

The committee in charge of packages for service men are happy to announce the overwhelming response of REA employees. The results were even greater than expected in the short time the drive was under way. Exactly \$142.27 in cash was collected in addition to hundreds of packages. Some of the many items bought were: 350 pocket size books, 150 handkerchiefs, 60 shoe polishers, 5 cases of soap, 60 boxes of stationery and dozens and dozens of razor blades, tooth brushes, tooth powder, combs and pencils. The committee wishes to thank the many girls who made solicitations and helped with the wrapping of packages. The boxes will be in the halls until noon Saturday for any one wishing to give additional gifts.

BIRTHDAYS DEC. 24 THRU DEC. 30

Russell O. Adams; Mae M. Bowles; Harry Dale Cromer, Jr.\*; George H. Cole; Norma L. George; Roland M. Gaver; Louis D. Knowles\*; Frank Klein\*; Matthew Marks\*; Lee M. Moore; Kathleen W. O'Brien; Alexander E. Puls; Robert A. Pelter; Evelyn B. Ray; Mary M. Zugel; Beatrice M. Dunn; Emily A. Wetjen.

\* Military Furlough

TEN OR MORE YEARS GOVT. SERVICE

Roland M. Gaver, 10 yrs. 1 1/2 mos.  
(6 yrs. 4 mos. in REA)

HOUSEKEEPING HINTS

First Bride: "Yes, sir, I've got my husband where he eats out of my hand!"  
Second Bride: "Saves a lot of dish washing, doesn't it?"

THE DAY BEFORE  
CHRISTMAS IN THE WORKHOUSE

'Twas the day before Christmas, when all through the joint,  
Not a creature was stirring, weren't no point.  
The work orders were shoved in the files with care,  
In hopes that St. Nicholas (and others) would forget they were there.  
The letters were nestled all snug on the desk  
While visions of sugar-plums -- tsk tsk tsk,  
And Mamma and Papa so tired they can't think  
With a thirst so strong they're panting for a drink.  
When out in the chief's office there arose such a chatter,  
I sprang from my chair to see what was the matter.  
Away to the door, I sprang with a snap,  
To see who had been caught taking his nap.  
The light on the floor of newly polished marble  
Gave an air of bureaucracy a la garble  
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,  
But a bevy of girls all so shining and dear,  
With jingle bells singing and laughter and glee,  
I knew in a moment it was time to flee.  
To the top of the clothes tree, to the top of the wall!  
Now dash away, dash away, dash away all!  
With giggles and laughs, REA'ers pranced away fast.  
"Happy Christmas to all, Merry Christmas at last!"

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions to the following magazines are available to employees in executive positions at reduced prices if purchased in groups of 5, 3 and respectively: Electrical World; Business Week; and Power. See Elizabeth Shaw.

BOWLING STANDINGS AS OF DECEMBER 23, 1944

Team	Won	Lost	Percent	Average	High Game	High Set
Raters	22	11	.667	695	856	2365
Radars	22	11	.667	660	706	2324
Solicitors	21	12	.636	737	838	2390
Administrators	19	14	.576	708	809	2330
Operators	18	15	.545	667	772	2215
Kilo-ettes	18	15	.545	628	776	2276
Managettes	18	15	.545	612	669	2050
Ruralettes	15	18	.455	633	753	2034
Five Dueces	14	19	.424	641	856	2245
Five Aces	13	20	.394	688	808	2225
Sweater Girls	11	22	.333	621	796	2237
Terry's Pirates	8	25	.242	595	770	2118



# DIDJAKNOWTHAT

## just before xmas

# i'm as good as good can be



## And the Angels Sing!

BUT, OH! COME JAN.



### BOWLING (CONT'D)

High Average	-	Bullock,	162
High Game	-	Stefan,	226
High Set	-	Pearson,	546

	<u>WOMEN</u>	
High Average	- Kallemeier,	150
High Game	- Goergens,	209
High Set	- Kallemeier,	505

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